RICHMOND HEIGHTS AREA CHARRETTE MEETING SUMMARY

Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park

14450 Boggs Drive Miami, Florida 33176 June 3, 2009 - 6:30 P.M.

Committee Members Present

Deloris Lowe, Ed Hanna, Rev. John A. Ferguson, Calvin Gordon, James Marshall, Martin Memorial AME Representative – Anthony Brown, James Brown

Community Members Present

Randy Spann, Frances F. Moore, Joe Washington, Ola Stevens, Gloria Johnson, Ned Roberson, Anthony Truesdell, Laquita Oliver, Charles H. Gray, Wylmerle Marshall, William L. Weaver, Jason Smith, Shenika McElroy-Smith, Audrey Appleby, Thomas Whitehead, Barbara Nickerson, Patricia Bethel, Alberta Ray-Cutler, Mary Ortiz, Amos Jordan, Vaughn Marshall, Madeline Brown, Emma Teresa Miller, Teresa Brown, Perley Richardson, Edward Carter, Valerie Staten, Venusmia Lovely, Scott Squires, Patrick Merit, Marilyn Stevens Crawford, Alonzo Fraser, Stanley Thompkins, Theresa Holton, Carmelo V. Gonzalez, John T. Smith, Joce Smith, Rose Smith, Ivey Johnson, Chester Fair

County Staff Present

Department of Planning and Zoning (DP&Z): Eric Silva, Manual Armada, Shailendra Singh, Amina Newsome, Jess Linn, Catherine Prince, Alex Zizold, Joshua Rak

Office of the Chair, District 9: Dallas Manuel

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Eric Silva, DP&Z, began the meeting with introductions, a brief description of the charrette process, review of the meeting agenda and handouts.

Jess Linn, DP&Z, presented the existing land use, zoning and future land use for the downtown core. Mr. Linn also discussed transit routes and the water and sewer line in the area.

Amina Newsome, DP&Z, presented the Richmond Heights section of the Moss Plan.

Chair Hanna presented the community priorities list that was developed during the May 6th, 2009, steering committee.

Meeting attendees expressed concerned with obtaining funding for projects within Richmond Heights. Chair Hanna explained the importance of having a plan to support funding requests and how projects would need to be phased.

Also of concern of the attendees was a multi-purpose building for the community and its location. Chair Hanna discussed the need to work with the property owners to ensure the community's needs could be met. Mr. Hanna also stated that at the next meeting property owners would present their proposed plans.

Shailendra Singh, DP&Z, emphasized the importance of having a master plan for the area. He also discussed the importance for the meetings leading up to the charrette week and briefly described what would occur during the charrette.

Following a brief discussion on community priorities list and its subsequent approval, Chair Hanna adjourned the meeting.

Next committee meeting: Wednesday, July 8, 6:30 P.M. Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park 14450 Boggs Drive